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**CENTRAL MICHIGAN DOCTOR ARRESTED ON CHILD PORN CHARGES**

Craig Tubbs, M.D., 45, a St. Louis, Mich., family physician who practices in Alma, was charged in a Criminal Complaint yesterday on charges of receipt of child pornography, United States Attorney Barbara L. McQuade announced today.

McQuade was joined in the announcement by Brian Moskowitz, Special Agent in Charge, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), Homeland Security Investigations.

The affidavit supporting the Complaint states that ICE agents executed a search warrant on Tubbs' email account and found images of children engaging in sexually explicit conduct. The search was based on information obtained in an ongoing investigation into online child pornography. The investigation led ICE agents to Tubb's e-mail and IP address, and eventually to his home in St. Louis.

Tubbs appeared in federal court yesterday and was released on \$50,000 unsecured bond. Bond restrictions include Tubbs travel be limited to the Eastern District of Michigan, surrender his passport and to have no contact with children under 18 years of age unless an adult is present.

If convicted of receiving and possessing child pornography, Tubbs faces a minimum punishment of 5 years imprisonment and a maximum penalty of up to 20 years, as well as a fine of as much as \$250,000.

This investigation is part of Operation Predator, a nationwide ICE initiative to

protect children from sexual predators, including those who travel overseas for sex with minors, Internet child pornographers, criminal alien sex offenders, and child sex traffickers.

ICE encourages the public to report suspected child predators and any suspicious activity through its toll-free hotline at 1-866-DHS-2ICE. This hotline is staffed around the clock by investigators. Suspected child sexual exploitation or missing children may be reported to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, an Operation Predator partner, at 1-800-843-5678 or <http://www.cybertipline.com> <http://www.cybertipline.com>.

A complaint is only a charge and is not evidence of guilt. Trial cannot be held on felony charges in a complaint. When the investigation is completed, a determination will be made whether to seek a felony indictment.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Shane N. Waller.